

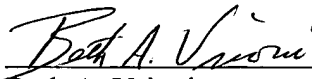
**Remarks**

Claims 198, 203, 205-213, 262, and 264-269 are currently pending. The Examiner indicated on the Office Action Summary that claims 262 and 264-269 are allowed. Applicants have amended claims 198, 203, 205-213 to depend upon allowed, independent claim 262. Therefore, Applicants submit that all claims are in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Applicants believe that no fees are due in association with the filing of this document. If any extension of time is required, Applicants hereby request the appropriate extension of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional Filing Fees required under 37 CFR §1.16, as well as any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17 associated with this communication for which full payment had not been tendered, to Deposit Account No. 01-0025.

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